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REMARKS

The Office Action dated October 3, 2005, has been reviewed in detail and the application has been amended in the sincere effort to place the same in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application and allowance in its amended form are requested based on the following remarks.

Applicants retain the right to pursue broader claims under 35 U.S.C. §120.

Applicants have provided a unique solution with respect to problems regarding TWIST DRILL FOR DRILLING WITH A COUNTERSINK CUTTING ARRANGEMENT, AND A CUTTING TOOL WITH A COUNTERSINK CUTTING ARRANGEMENT, AND A CUTTING-CHAMFERING TOOL. Applicants' solution is now claimed in a manner that satisfies the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112.

Allowable Claims and New Claims:

Claims 1-20 were indicated as being allowable because, as stated by the Examiner on page 4 of the outstanding Office Action, the prior art of record fails to anticipate or obviate the use of a radially penetrating locking screw to secure the clamping shoe to the surface of the spiral flute, which feature is recited in the independent claims. However, Claims 1-20 were rejected by the Examiner

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because of the numerous informalities listed on pages 2 and 3 of the Office Action.

Because of the numerous corrections that would be necessary to overcome the Examiner's objections/rejections relating to Claims 1-20, Claims 1-20 have been canceled herein, without prejudice, and Claims 21-40 are newly presented herein. Claims 21-40 have been written in accordance with U.S. style and format and to overcome the Examiner's objections/rejections. The limitations in Claims 21-40 substantially correspond to the limitations in Claims 1-20 as originally filed, and therefore it is believed that no new issues have been raised by the presentation of these new claims. It is further believed that no new subject matter has been added or entered. In addition, each of the independent claims contain the allowable feature relating to the locking screw, and therefore it is believed that Claims 21-40 are allowable.

Rejection of Claims 1-20 Under 35 U.S.C. §112, Second

Paragraph:

Claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Claims 1-20 have been canceled herein, without prejudice,

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and Claims 21-40 have been presented herein to overcome the present rejection.

Objection to the Claims:

Claims 2, 8, 10, and 18, were objected to because of informalities listed on page 2 of the outstanding Office Action. Claims 1-20 have been canceled herein, without prejudice, and Claims 21-40 have been presented herein to overcome the present rejection.

Objection to the Specification:

The specification was objected to because of several informalities as listed on page 2 of the outstanding Office Action. The specification has been amended herein in accordance with the Examiner's requirements to overcome the present objections.

Art Made of Record:

The prior art made of record and not applied has been carefully reviewed, and it is submitted that it does not, either taken singly or in any reasonable combination with the other prior art of record, defeat the patentability of the present invention or render the present invention obvious. Further, Applicants are in agreement with the Examiner that the prior art made of record and not applied does not appear to be material to the patentability of the claims currently

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pending in this application.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and early action towards that end is respectfully requested.

Summary and Conclusion:

It is submitted that Applicants have provided a new and unique TWIST DRILL FOR DRILLING WITH A COUNTERSINK CUTTING ARRANGEMENT, AND A CUTTING TOOL WITH A COUNTERSINK CUTTING ARRANGEMENT, AND A CUTTING-CHAMFERING TOOL. It is submitted that the claims are fully distinguishable from the prior art. Therefore, it is requested that a Notice of Allowance be issued at an early date.

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Respectfully submitted,

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